

Georgia Athletic and Entertainment Commission  
Commission Meeting  
September 21, 2017

The Commission Meeting for the Georgia Athletic and Entertainment Commission was held on Thursday, September 21, 2017 at The Sloppy Floyd Government Office Building 2 MLK Jr. Drive Atlanta, GA 30334.

<b>The following Commissioners were present:</b>	<b>Others Present:</b>
Seth Millican- Chairman Don Geary- Vice Chairman- by phone Rick Thompson- by phone Dr. Walter Young- by phone Hunter Towns- - by phone	Matt Woodruff- Executive Director Attorney General Office [Reagan Dean] Tim Tyson- by phone Henry Okafor

**Seth Millican established** that a quorum was present and the Georgia Athletic and Entertainment Commission meeting that was scheduled to begin at 9:00am and was called to order at 9:04am.

**Motion to Approve** the commission meeting minutes from August 22, 2017. Vice Chairman Don Geary makes a motion to approve. Commissioner Dr. Walter Young seconds, and the Commission votes 5-0 to approve.

**Motion to Approve** the 10/19/2017 Final Forum, Inc. event permit. Vice Chairman Geary makes a motion to approve. Commissioner Young seconds, and the Commission votes 5-0 to approve.

**Motion to Approve** the 10/21/2017 E. Butts Jr. Promotions event permit. Vice Chairman Geary makes a motion to approve. Commissioner Young seconds, and the Commission votes 5-0 to approve.

**Motion to Approve** the 11/11/2017 1223 Promotions event permit. Vice Chairman Geary makes a motion to conditionally approve this event, pending that Mr. Tyson submits a full and verifiable fight card to the Executive Director by October 5<sup>th</sup>. If anything about the fight card seems to be inaccurate, the Executive Director has full authority to cancel the show. Commissioner Hunter Towns seconds, and the Commission votes 3-2 to conditionally approve.

**Motion to Approve** the license application for John Lutz. Mr. Lutz is a 46 year old applying for an amateur Muay Thai license. Vice Chairman Geary makes a motion to approve. Commissioner Young seconds, and the Commission votes 5-0 to approve.

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**Motion to Approve** the license application for Abraham Gray. Mr. Gray is a 41 year old applying for an amateur Muay Thai license. Commissioner Young makes a motion to approve. Vice Chairman Geary seconds, and the Commission votes 5-0 to approve.

**Motion to Approve** the license application for Tyrone Guy. Mr. Guy is a 41 year old applying for a professional boxing license. Commissioner Rick Thompson makes a motion to approve, contingent upon the blood work being submitted, reviewed and approved by the Commission doctor. Vice Chairman Geary seconds, and the Commission votes 5-0 to approve.

**Petition for Rule Waiver** by David Oblas for the September 22<sup>nd</sup> event. Vice Chairman Geary makes a motion to approve. Commissioner Young seconds, and the Commission votes 5-0 to approve.

**Petition for Rule Waiver** by David Oblas for the October 13<sup>th</sup> event. Vice Chairman Geary makes a motion to approve. Commissioner Young seconds, and the Commission votes 5-0 to approve.

**Petition for Rule Waiver** by Abraham Gray to fight under advanced amateur Muay Thai rules. Vice Chairman Geary makes a motion to approve. Commissioner Young seconds, and the Commission votes 5-0 to approve.

**Discussion** on Rule 85-3-.02- Fighting Area. Vice Chairman Geary makes a motion to send this rule to the Attorney General's office for review and to post for thirty days. Commissioner Young seconds, and the Commission votes 5-0.

**Discussion** with David Oblas on discipline for amateur fighters/trainers. Vice Chairman Geary ask the Executive Director to work with the Attorney General's office to draft proposed language.

**Legislative Update.** Matt Woodruff informed the Commission that the Secretary of State's office is working on this and will get Chairman Millican and Commissioner Towns in contact with our office.

**Public Comment:**

- **Henry Okafor:** has 3 fighters wishing to turn professional without any amateur experience.
  - o **During the call, Vice Chairman Geary and Commissioner Young leave the meeting.**
  - o Commissioner Thompson does not wish to allow these fighters a waiver to turn pro without experience for the safety of them.

**Commission Report:** None

**Attorney General's Report:** None

**Executive Director's Report:** October meeting date is TBD, will email out possible dates.

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**Motion to adjourn.** There being no further business to come before the Commission, the meeting was adjourned at 10:02 am.